

Remarks

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Office Action dated October 12, 2004. Although Applicant believes all claims are allowable over the prior art of record, Applicant cancels Claims 1, 7, 12, 18, 23, 29, and 34-51 without prejudice or disclaimer to expedite issuance of a patent from this Application.

Claims 10, 21, and 32 have been allowed, but the Office Action nevertheless rejects their dependent Claims 2-6, 8, 11, 13-17, 19-20, 22, 24-28, 30-31, and 33. These dependent claims were amended in the last Response dated May 28, 2004 to depend from Claims 10, 21, and 32. Applicant believes that the Examiner's rejection of these dependent claims was an unintentional error, and respectfully requests the Examiner to issue a Notice of Allowance allowing Claims 10, 21, 32, and their dependent claims.

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For at least the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this case in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact Christopher W. Kennerly, Attorney for Applicant, at the Examiner's convenience at (214) 953-6812.

Although Applicant believes no fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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